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On 4th April, at Eilandsman, The Peak, the infant daughter of ANDREW and HILDA FORBES. [902

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HONGKONG, APRIL 5TH, 1905.

THE last word has not been said about the naval re-organisation of Sir JOHN FISHER, which is responsible for the departure of a number of obsolete British craft from Chinese waters. Hongkong opinion, whether swayed by "Imperial thinking" or not, was by way of approving the change, as well as the ideas which inspired it. Further north they have been longer in making up their minds; and it is only on the 30th March that our Shanghai contemporary gives voice to opinions diametrically opposed to those we ventured to offer on the 24th January. On that occasion we incidentally remarked, *a propos* quite another issue, that "it is only those who disagree with and oppose us that we dub stupid," so perhaps it is wise to hasten to add that we have no desire to allow our contemporary to apply this casual remark to itself, while we proceed to consider its belated comments on the British naval re-organisation scheme. Our contemporary says: "Unfortunately for us, the very heterogeneous concourse of political atoms composing Mr. BALFOUR'S Cabinet is strikingly destitute of imagination. No member of it, from Lord LANSDOWNE to the present Lord SALISBURY, seems to have the least idea of the value of prestige. The sacrifices which the British army and navy made in the past in the Far East were repaid not only in the immediate results, but even more in the prestige they conferred on the British nation and its representatives here. Intangibleas prestige may be, it is yet an invaluable asset, and its value can be maintained by a very little care and attention, while it can be very easily lost, and it is recovered with difficulty if it is once lost." In this there is much with which, knowing the characteristic Chinese capacity for estimating the values of others, we may not quarrel. But in referring to the absence of the imaginative gift in the British Government, does our esteemed contemporary not lay itself open to a straight *tu quoque*? Why suggest, as it suggests, that we intend to rely upon the Germans for help in policing the Yangtsze, in any case where our remaining forces prove inadequate? Has the history of the past year no stimulating power over our contemporary's imagination? Is there no Japanese fleet, and no Anglo-Japanese alliance? In our earlier comments we remarked that "the survival of the Japanese fleet, after a formidable struggle, should argue, supposing our alliance to hold firm, less need for the services of this [China] squadron in the future." That alliance, which we believe will be renewed and strengthened, was not made without any imagination as to its possibilities; and it was undoubtedly intended to benefit both parties. Does this scheme of Admiral FISHER'S not exhibit one form of benefit that we receive? Regarded in this way, a way that, after all, needs no colossal imagination, we are unable to see how "the wholesale reduction of the British naval force in these waters is not merely a very heavy blow to our prestige, but it is a serious danger." If we did not know that the *N.-C. Daily News* was sound on that point, we should take that "serious danger" to be another Yellow Peril story. On reading further, it appears that our Shanghai friends have in mind another anti-foreign rising, and that it goes so far as to suggest that a retention of the pre-reform system would prevent that. Were there no British ships on the China station five years ago? Why did "the sight of the flag on a British man-of-war" not operate preventively then? The further suggestion that Sir GERARD NOEL is at present "helpless" for such a small job as that of hunting up and exploding the] derelict mines now endangering shipping in the north is nonsense. The fact probably is that in this matter everybody's business has been regarded as nobody's business. The ship that China detailed for this work was, quite naturally, laid up in Tuku dock, and is there yet, and the British ships have been too busy with Fleet boxing competitions and the like to worry about interfering with a task that merchantmen are spasmodically performing. As for the *Teal* and *Widgeon* being far less useful than the discarded *Bramble* and *Britomart*, that is a point for experts, who apparently differ, for we have listened to a contrary opinion.

We have said that we do not disagree with our contemporary as to the importance of prestige. Nor do we, but there may be more than one way of securing and retaining it. Sir JOHN FISHER'S ships, though fewer, are more likely to keep the Chinese awake to our prestige than were the vessels that we ventured to call "portable residences for naval tea-parties." Or, more exactly, they are much less likely to cause us to suffer loss in that respect than were the vessels withdrawn. Of course, when our contemporary speaks of the frequent sight of the British flag inspiring or re-inspiring prestige, it is mere hyperbole. We know how bravely the Russian flag has been flaunted all over north China, and how flimsy was Russian prestige even before the Japanese lowered it still more. Finally, when our contemporary expresses the opinion that the British ships at river ports should be sufficiently numerous to "keep up our prestige *vis-à-vis* . . . our excellent friends the Japanese," we think it is so "destitute of imagination" that it has failed to recognise what we imagine may well have been one of the intentions of the parties to the Anglo-Japanese contract.

A report of the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company's meeting appears on page 5

The Hon. Mr. Gershom Stewart left by the *Armand Behic* for Japan on a holiday.

Two Chinaman were yesterday sentenced to two months' hard labour and three hours stocks for fraud. They passed a washed ring on to a pawnbroker as gold, borrowing $150 on it.

The preliminary heats in connection with the following races in the V.R.C. athletic sports will be run off on Friday at 5.30 p.m.:—120 yards flat race, 120 yards hurdle race and 220 yards flat race.

Sydney Arthur Gilchrist, a gunner in the R.G.A., was charged at the Magistracy yesterday with stealing a gold ring valued at £3 from the wife of a sergeant in the Army Pay Department, and with pawning it for $4 to a Chinaman at No. 30, Queen's Road East. The pawnbroker was also charged. The case was remanded.

It is said that the new Japanese loan is sufficient for Japan to carry on the war for another year and-a-half, when Japan expects the war to be ended.

A small fire occurred at No. 76, Des Voeux Road, a medicine shop, yesterday morning shortly before one o'clock. The Brigade turned out and confined the outbreak to the kitchen where it originated. The damage was very small.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. F. A. Hazeland inquired into the cause of death of a prisoner who died in Victoria Gaol. He was doing six weeks' hard labour for a conviction under the Opium Ordinance. He died from natural causes.

The *N.-C. Daily News* understands it is the intention of the Directors of the Shanghai Waterworks Company to recommend at the next annual meeting a final dividend for the past year of thirty-seven shillings and six pence (37/6) per share at exchange 2/7.

Presence of mind in the witness-box is perhaps one of the most valuable qualities a man can possess. "Sir," said counsel sternly to a gentleman of Boston, "look me in the eye, and answer this question." "Which eye?" asked the Bostonian plaintively.

One day last month was declared by an expert to be the centenary of the departure of Noah from the Ark. Of late these things seem to have been determined with mathematical accuracy. A historian has calculated that the Creation took place on the 22nd of September, at four o'clock in the afternoon.—*Globe.*

In his article on Infanticide in last Saturday's issue of *Mesny's Chinese Miscellany*, "General" Mesny makes some very pertinent remarks on the burning question of the fate of Eurasian girls, which has become and will increasingly become, such a serious matter wherever there are large foreign communities in the East. The facts that he gives are, says the *N.-C. Daily News*, widely known, but they are hushed up as far as possible, though a day of reckoning must come.

The *Daily Chronicle* says that in America the colour question is becoming complicated. For there now are not only negroes but Filipinos to be dealt with. At the State University at Indianapolis there are several Filipino men who have been caught flirting with their feminine class-mates. Hence the introduction of a Bill in the Indiana Legislature to prohibit the intermarriage of Filipinos and Americans. Several of the States already forbid the legal union of Americans and "coloured persons."

At the quarterly communication of Grand Lodge of English Freemasons on 1st March at Freemasons' hall, Earl Amherst, Pro Grand Master, presiding, the Duke of Connaught was for the fifth time unanimously elected Most Worshipful Grand Master. Mr. Stanley J. Attenborough was elected Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year. Moved by Earl Amherst seconded by Mr. T. F. Halsey, M.P., a resolution was carried congratulating the Grand Master on the betrothal of the Princess Margaret of Connaught, and voting 250 guineas for a wedding present, its selection to be left to her Royal Highness.

Our Shanghai contemporary is going to give a slightly American atmosphere to its Chinese news. It announces:—

To avoid the clumsiness of giving the names of the Chinese provinces in full, where the name of a town or city is mentioned, we propose to use in future the following abbreviations:—

Anhui	An.	Kiangsu	Ku.
Chêkiang	Che.	Kiangsi	Ki.
Chili	Chi.	Kiangtung	Kt.
Fukien	Fu.	Kueichou	Kc.
Honan	Ho.	New Dominion	N.D.
Hunan	Hu.	Shansi	Sha.
Hupeh	Hp.	Shantung.....	Sht.
Kansu	Ka.	Shensi	Sho.
Kianghuai.....	Kh.	Szechuan	Su.
Kiangsi	Ki.	Yunnan	Yü.
Manchuria	Man.		

No. 2 of Vol. 1 of *The Far East*, the monthly magazine edited at Shanghai by Mr. C. Fink, is an exceptionally interesting number, if only for the ancient Chinese map of the world that is reproduced and discoursed on. A gentleman describing a visit to Japan tells how he saw at Obama a lot of Japanese carrying water up a hill to a temple, where it was poured out in the hope of inducing the Supreme Being to send much needed rain. He addressed an English speaking Japanese who was so engaged, as follows:—

"I expressed my opinion that it would be far more sensible if he and his friends and companions were to use the water of the offering for the benefit of their own rice and sweet-potato fields, instead of laboriously bringing it up the hill and pouring it out in a useless stream. With a smile he looked me over from head to foot, shrugged his shoulders and then turned his back on me, without vouchsafing a single word." We can imagine that the Japanese thought a great deal, if he was too polite to say anything. Mr. F. Boehm, the tourist concerned, has something to learn yet.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* arrived at Yokohama at 12.30 p.m. on Monday, the 3rd inst., and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 4 p.m. yesterday.

The Indo-China str. *Namsang* left Calcutta for this port *via* the Straits on the 1st inst., and may be expected here on the 17th inst.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Laertes* left Singapore on the 3rd inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 8th inst.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Tydeus*, from Pacific ports is due to leave Moji on 11th inst., for Shanghai and Hongkong, and is due here on the 20th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

EXCHANGE OF COURTESIES.

LONDON, 4th April.

The newly formed Atlantic fleet is to visit Brest in July.

The French fleet is to visit Spithead in August.

The King is expected to meet President Loubet on Thursday.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

LONDON, 1st April.

"Kirkland" - - - 1
"Napper Tandy" - 2
"Buckaway" - - - 3

THE JAPANESE LOAN.

LONDON, 2nd April.

The subscriptions to the American half of the Japanese loan amounted to nearly £100,000,000.

THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY'S TOUR.

LONDON, 2nd April.

The Kaiser has left Gibraltar for Port Mahon and Naples.

The *Times* remarks it is not surprising that the Queen left Gibraltar a few hours before the Emperor's arrival considering that he came directly after an overt demonstration against the Anglo-French entente.

The scrupulous adhesion of England to the Anglo-French agreement on the occasion of the Kaiser's visit, gives satisfaction in France.

THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

RUSSIAN WAR PARTY ASCENDANT.

LONDON, 4th April.

In Russia, the idea of peace is now being abandoned, owing to the complete ascendency gained by the war party.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE THIRD BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, 2nd April.

Admiral Nibogatoff's third Baltic squadron has passed Perim making for Jibutil.

PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

LONDON, 2nd April.

Official denials of peace parleying are plentiful, but there is a firm conviction on the Paris and St. Petersburg bourses that peace is approaching.

SUPPLIES FOR VLADIVOSTOCK.

LONDON, 2nd April.

Ten trains are leaving Russia daily laden with commissariat and war material for Vladivostock in view of a forthcoming siege.

A VERY SUSPICIOUS CASE.

FIRES AND INSURANCE.

Mr. W. H. T. Davis, the chairman of the Fire Association, yesterday unfolded to a *Daily Press* reporter a tale of a very suspicious case. As we are advised that no charge can be laid against the man concerned, we are obliged to refrain from publishing many of the particulars gleaned.

It appears, however, that a certain fire insurance policy has been cancelled, in consequence of trustworthy information received from the police.

The insurer was, as a matter of course, a Chinese tradesman. He not only removed the bulk of his goods, but he also advised his tenants on another floor to move. Neighbours, learning this, and fearing for their own safety, gave information to the police.

The police went to the house and found all things ready for a pretty blaze. Two hundred dollars worth of goods were left to be burned, and these were insured for more than ten times their value.

Inspector Collett left a constable in charge, and communicated with Mr. Davis, who himself visited the place, and found a lot of shavings on an upper floor, all the shutters closed, and the insured stock-in-trade depleted as reported.

He spoke warmly of Inspector Collett and the police, but for whom more fires would occur. If there is any way of punishing the rascal concerned, by banishment or otherwise, we hope it will be availed of.

THE BALTIC SQUADRONS.

Reports are in circulation to the effect that the First Division of the Baltic Squadron embarked a number of supplementary officers to whom it was intended to assign the command of vessels acquired from foreign countries. According to some rumours, three cruisers have been bought in this way, and, according to others, even more.

The matter has been brought up in connection with the grant of the Third Class of the Order of St. Vladimir to Lieutenant Epanchin, the Russian naval *Attaché* in Paris, "for the skilful performance of tasks imposed upon him."

It is impossible to say when the principal vessel, the *Slava*, will be ready for sea, while the *Rus*, which returned to Libau, has developed defects in her boilers.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held in the Board Room yesterday afternoon. Dr. F. Clark (President) presided, and there were also present Hon. Mr. W. Chatham (Vice President), Mr. F. J. Badeley, Hon. Mr. A. W. Brewin, Col. W. E. Webb, R.A.M.C., Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Mr. A. Rumjahn, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr. H. Macfarlane, Dr. Moore, Dr. Pearse, and Mr. G. N. Orme (Secretary).

A NEW SECRETARY.

The PRESIDENT—His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. Orme Secretary of the Sanitary Board pending the return of Mr Woodcock (Applause).

MR. HEWETT'S SUCCESSOR.

Mr. POLLOCK—Have you got any information as to what the Government is going to do regarding a successor to Mr. Hewett during his absence?

The PRESIDENT—The Ordinance lays down that till a member has been absent for six months a successor cannot be appointed unless the member resigns, and Mr. Hewett has not resigned.

Mr. POLLOCK—Though there is such a rule, on another similar occasion it was said that measures would be taken to prevent such action in the future.

The PRESIDENT—I will make enquiries and let the members know.

CEMETERY BYELAWS.

The Secretary of the Sanitary Board on the 23rd March wrote to the Colonial Secretary, saying that at the meeting of the Board, on the 21st March, the principles of sanitation relative to the burial of bodies were discussed, and, upon hearing the opinion of the Medical officer of Health, it was felt that the requirement of a depth of seven feet for graves inflicted an unnecessary expense upon the public without safe-guarding the public health in any way. It was accordingly decided to amend Sections four and fourteen of the Cemeteries Byelaws by substituting "five" for "seven."

His Excellency the Governor replied that he was not prepared to agree to any amendment of Cemetery Byelaws Nos. four and fourteen on the lines indicated by the Board's resolution.

CHINESE TRANSLATIONS.

The Registrar General (Hon. Mr. Brewin) forwarded a minute relative to the furnishing of Chinese translations of letters written by the Board to Chinese. He said:—Towards the end of last year there was a discussion at a meeting of the Board as to the furnishing of Chinese translations of letters written by the Board to Chinese. I have since been told that a stamp in Chinese is affixed to each letter to Chinese telling them to apply at the Board's office if they want it interpreted. I have seen numerous letters from the Sanitary Department, but I have never yet seen this stamp affixed, and I learn from enquiries that it is not on every letter. If the present procedure is to be adhered to it would be advisable (1) to have the notice *printed* on the letter paper (2) to alter the notice to read "an explanation of this letter will be given on application at the Board's office or at a District Office between the hours of . . . and . . ." People should not be compelled to come to the Central office from Kowloon, Causeway Bay or Kennedy Town. Thirdly, there should also be a notice in English to the effect that District Inspectors are directed to explain this communication. Fourthly, the instructions to these inspectors should contain an instruction that it is part of their duty to explain these letters, and a fixed time should be given when the inspectors should be in attendance at their offices.

The Secretary of the Board replied:—The stamp referred to reads as follows:—"If you do not understand English and do not know what is written in this letter go to the Sanitary Board for information and translation." This is impressed on all letters sent from this office or forms partly printed such as letters re non-compliance with building, limewashing, nuisance and other notices. The letters which are entirely typewritten are comparatively few, and are mostly addressed to Chinese who have written to the Board in English.

Mr. Rumjahn minuted—All notices should be translated similar to those for filling up rat runs.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minuted—I agree with the Hon. Registrar General. All the inspectors should be instructed to explain when asked. I may say that in the majority of cases people are prosecuted and fined more for ignorance and want of explanation than for wilful negligence or non-compliance.

The REGISTRAR GENERAL moved that the stamp on the Sanitary Board letters be altered so as to inform the recipient that explanations of the letters are obtainable at the Central and Branch offices of the Sanitary Board, and that the inspectors be instructed to see to such translations and explanations.

Mr. LAU CHU PAK seconded and it was carried.

APPLICATIONS.

The following applications were refused:—Application for exemption from carrying out certain works in respect of the mafoo's quarters in the stables on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 525. Application for a modification of the requirements in respect of Nos. 408 to 426, Des Voeux Road West.

SHAM SHUI PO MARKET.

Mr. Adam Gibson, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, wrote:—The ground surface of the Sham Shui Po Market is in a very bad condition. There are no proper channels for the surface water and it forms pools here and there and is very offensive. The whole surface ought to be levelled and concreted, and side channels made. I understand that the Government has not as yet taken over this market, but that the *kaifong* of the village arranges the letting of the spaces and collects rents. These, it is said, amount to from $20 to $30 per annum according to their position. I beg to suggest that the *kaifong* be approached to see if they are willing to do something to improve the present state of affairs, and if not the Government take over the place and put it in a sanitary condition. I do not suggest that a market should be erected there in the meantime, but simply that the ground surface be made impervious to water and vermin and that the occupants erect their own fittings as is done at present.

The Registrar General minuted:—It is out of the question getting the *kaifong* to do anything unless they can be guaranteed the revenue from these stalls for some time. I hear the annual revenue amounts to between $200 and $250 and goes to religious ceremonies and the upkeep of the temple.

The PRESIDENT—Sham Shui Po market is in an insanitary condition. The building is owned by a committee of the inhabitants of Kowloon City. Something has to be done.

The REGISTRAR GENERAL—I think we ought to ask the Government to have the surface levelled and concreted, and to allow these people to put up stalls there as usual—to put the place in a sanitary condition at the cost of the Government. The cost would not be much. I move accordingly.

Mr. LAU CHU PAK seconded and it was carried.

OPIUM DIVANS AND LAUNDRIES.

Re an application for the ground floor of a house in McGregor Street to be registered as a public laundry the Registrar General minuted:—How many public laundries are there in Victoria, and how many opium divans? This fad of having the floors of these places concreted, quite a new one, will result in the ground floors of Victoria being monopolised by these licensed premises. The next thing will be a recommendation that all lodging-house floors be concreted.

The President replied:—

Total Chinese houses 8,476
" laundries 37
" opium divans 68
This represents 1.2 per cent.

WATER ANALYSES.

The Government Analyst's (Mr. Frank Brown) reports for the month of March show that the water of the various public supplies is of excellent quality.

MORTALITY STATISTICS.

The mortality statistics for the week ended the 18th March, show the following figures at a death rate per thousand per annum:—British and foreign community, 34·9; previous week, 9·9; corresponding week last year, 10.3. Chinese population, 15·2; previous week, 14·7; corresponding week last year, 13·0.

LIMEWASHING RETURN.

The limewashing return for the fortnight ended the 28th March, shows that 4,260 houses were treated in the eastern district and 3,534 in the central district.

RAT RETURN.

During the week ended the 1st April, 468 rats (23 being infected) were caught in Victoria, and 213 (18 infected) at Kowloon.

THE MEAT QUESTION.

If the statements appearing in our yesterday's issue on the authority of "A Hongkong Cattle Man" respecting the prices at which the Dairy Company are able to purchase frozen meat in Australia are correct, the public would agree with "Cattle-man" that the Dairy Farm Company must be making very substantial profits. But Mr. Seth, the Secretary of the Company, in an interview, traversed "the Cattleman's" facts, and smiled at his conclusions. The Dairy Farm Company, said the "Cattle-man," charges 30 cents per lb for beef, while the Chinese butchers charge only 22 cents.

Mr. Seth explains that the charge of 30 cents is for prime cuts only; and the Chinese also charge 30 cents for prime cuts. Dairy Farm prices range from 30 cents to 16 cents while Chinese prices range from 30 cents to 14 cents.

"Cattle-man" argued that as it costs only 3½d. per lb to land Australian frozen beef in England, it should cost only 2½d per lb to land it in Hongkong. As a matter of fact, Mr. Seth says, the freight to London is one quarter of what it is to Hongkong, so that the c.i.f. value in Hongkong would be higher than in London without taking into account the larger shipments made to London which would enable purchases to be made on more favourable terms than could be secured for such consignments as would meet the requirements of Hongkong.

Mr. Seth added that his Company had never yet been able to buy in Australia at 2½d per lb the quality of mutton and beef imported by them. He further pointed out that in his estimate of what the price should be "Cattleman" had not taken into his consideration the large percentage of waste when a carcase is cut up.

When everything is considered the conclusion is reached that the Dairy Farm are retailing frozen meat at as low a figure as they can possibly afford, and we believe we are not mistaken in saying though freight is so much dearer to Hongkong than to London, the meat is retailed at lower rates here than in England.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 4th at 12.10 p.m. The barometer has continued to rise over China and W. Japan.

In E. Japan it has fallen.

The area of high pressure is central over Mid-China and pressure remains low over the Pacific to the South of Japan.

Gradients are slight on the China coast and moderate N.E. winds will prevail in the Formosa Channel.

Strong N.E. winds may be expected over the N. part of the China Sea, where gradients are rather steep.

Forecast:—Moderate or light N. winds; fair, cloudy.

RETIREMENT OF SIR EWEN CAMERON.

The *Standard* says:—With much regret we have to announce that the serious illness from which Sir Ewen Cameron, K.C.M.G., has been suffering has compelled him to resign his position as one of the London managers of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The commencement of his service with that bank dates back to 1867, or two years after its establishment. Until 1890 he was out in the East, being in charge of the important branch at Shanghai for no less than sixteen years. He was transferred to London in 1890, when he assumed the position of London manager, which he has retained until his resignation. During this period, as is well known, events in the Far East have been of an unusually disturbed character, and the violent changes which have been effected have naturally had their effect upon the finances of the countries in that region. Sir Ewen, throughout all the troubles, was the trusted counsellor of the Chinese Government, and, latterly, of the Japanese Government, and it is a remarkable fact that the whole of the Chinese and Japanese loans known to this market, amounting to over £80,000,000, were negotiated during the period of Sir Ewen's management, while in every operation, with two or three exceptions, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation took a share, and often the dominating part. In many other ways Sir Ewen performed exceptional services to the Empire in the Far East, and some slight recognition of his services in this respect was afforded by the conferment of a K.C.M.G. The London office will now be under the management of Mr. A. M. Townsend, who for some years past has been associated with Sir Ewen Cameron in the office, and Mr. C. S. Addis, who has recently come home from Shanghai.

THE MARINE INSURANCE MARKET.

London, Feb. 27th.

The *Times* says:—Neither the German steamer *Romulus*, reported to-day as captured by the Japanese, nor the same owners' *Severus*, reported on Saturday, is insured against war risks in this market. With their cargoes of Welsh coal, at Vladivostok prices, the two vessels and cargoes would be worth about £85,000. There have now, since January 13, been 16 captures reported (two of uninsured vessels) and five arrivals (one uninsured). Out of the 14 steamers and cargoes in which this market is interested—exclusive of the *Nigretia*—ten have been condemned by the Japanese Prize Courts, and four (*Powderham, Scotsman, Paros*, and *Sylviana*) are awaiting the decision of these Courts.

March 1st.

The Japanese have a grimly humorous way of anticipating events, which appears to be one of their characteristics. The steamer *Nigretia*, recently seized, has been put forward by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha for insurance against marine risks for 12 months, beginning on the 6th inst. This steamer, with which the Osaka Company is thus making free, is in theory a British vessel undergoing trial for alleged contraband trade, and the judicial proceedings have been postponed till the 14th inst. for further evidence. It may be remembered that the Japanese began to order coal for Port Arthur and Dalny well in advance of their occupation of those ports. The war risks on the *Nigretia's* hull and cargo have been insured here.

A Japanese steamer, *Koyo Maru*, is ashore at Gongenzaki, near Tsuguru, and is likely to become a total wreck. She is owned by the Nippon Shosen(?) Kaisha. The *Koyo Maru* is 1,447 tons, built in 1886, and valued at £10,000, of which £4,000 has been placed in London.

THE TEA DUTY.

An important deputation (introduced by Mr. Lough, M.P.), representing the distributors of tea throughout the United Kingdom, waited upon Mr. Austen Chamberlain at the Treasury on Feb. 27, to urge that there should be a reduction in the tea duty in the next budget, in view of the great financial burdens which the present tax cast upon the wholesale distributors, and which was said to be throttling the trade. Accompanying the Chancellor of the Exchequer were Mr. Victor Cavendish, M.P., Financial Secretary to the Treasury; Sir E. Hamilton, Permanent Secretary to the Treasury; Sir H. Primrose, Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue; and Mr. Pillar, Chairman of the Board of Customs; and the trade societies which the deputation represented were the London Tea Buyers' Association, the Scottish Wholesale Tea Dealers' Association, the Irish Tea Buyers' Association, and the Grocers' Federation of the United Kingdom.

Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, said that that was one of several deputations which had waited upon him recently to urge the reduction or abolition of various taxes which were in force. The trades affected by these various taxes had not to consider how the gap thereby produced in the revenue was to be filled, and how seriously these inroads made upon the revenue. He admitted that the tea duty was a high *ad valorem* tax, and that it was a tax open to certain objections. One speaker had referred to what another member of (his the Chancellor of the Exchequer's) family might have done. Mr. J. Chamberlain had, indeed, expressed the desire to see the tea duty reduced to a more moderate level; but it was only possible for him to put that forward as part of a wider programme, which could not be acted upon by the Government at the present time. The Government had to raise a great revenue. Each tax in turn to which they had recourse could be objected to for one reason or another; and among the various proposals which they had to consider, they took those which, upon a whole survey of the circumstances having regard to the resources which were open to them at the present time, they thought the least open to objection. He would bear in mind if the time should come—and he was still Chancellor of the Exchequer—to revise our system of taxation the observations which the deputation had made.

The deputation having thanked the right hon. gentleman, withdrew.

OUTRAGEOUS RUSSIAN STATEMENT.

It is not to be wondered at that the Russian public should believe that Russia has scored a great victory as the result of the recent inquiry held in Paris. The "Russian Telegraph Agency," which has secured to itself conspicuous notoriety in the short space of its existence, circulated among the Russian Press last Thursday the following outrageous comments upon the Commission:—"The Russian Commissioners and agents in the Hull affair are in possession of actual proofs of the presence of Japanese torpedo-boats; in fact, Russia's representatives succeeded in finding out the exact date on which the Japanese bought them in England, and the place whence the boats arrived on the scene, and that place was a little town ten miles distant from Hull. Nevertheless, out of respect for the general wish to close the affair in peace and without further delay, it was resolved to pass over these details in silence."—*Globe.*

CHANG-YEN-MAO'S CASE.

"The proceedings," in the Chinese Engineering and Mining Case, says a legal writer in the *Times*, "were unique and important in several respects. It is rare that a Chinese Mandarin seeks justice in our Courts; and involved in the dispute between him and the defendants were issues of far-reaching consequence. Had Chang-Yen-Mao lost his action he would probably have fared very badly at the hands of his Government, who had charged him with "fattening" on the proceeds of a fraudulent sale of the property which was the subject-matter in dispute. He had been deprived of the office of Director-General of Mines; his ruin and disgrace, if not worse still, would have followed an adverse decision. It is not too much to add that his failure would have been a misfortune to British interests, and injurious to our good name in the Far East. Chang-Yen-Mao is a representative of the more enlightened of his countrymen, who see that, not hostility to Western civilization, but frank recognition of its value is their best policy. With proper guarantees against evils and abuses too common in Oriental countries, European capital might now develop the resources of China in many ways. There are railways to be made, mines to be opened or worked with modern appliances, and all this is to be done only with the co-operation of the better class of officials who have put aside ancient prejudices against the foreigner. Chang-Yen-Mao, who is as he showed in the witness box, shrewd and intelligent, seems to have aided not a little the industrial development of his country. He has believed that true patriotism is consistent with the employment of skilled European advisers and the encouragement of European capital. He has suffered not a little for having, in the opinion of narrow-minded, if not corrupt, critics, sacrificed Chinese interests to the foreign capitalist. His success in an English Court of law will have effects going much beyond the decision of the controversy before Mr. Justice Joyce. His countrymen who are suspicious of Western finance will know that redress can be had if they are wronged. News of his success will gradually percolate into even remote parts of China, and will inspire confidence in the impartiality of our tribunals. The judgment of yesterday will, perhaps, quite as much as diplomatic promises, smooth the way for the entrance of British capital into a country where, given an honest administration, it might be largely employed to the profit of native and Western investors.

Stripped of details, the point at issue in the action was simple. Chang-Yen-Mao was director-general of a Chinese company formed in 1882 to work certain mines in the provinces of Chi-li and Jehol. Fresh capital was required for the undertaking, and Mr. Detring, a German, who was a commissioner of Customs in China and also a director of the company, was authorized to take measures to raise the necessary capital. He put himself in communication with the defendants, Moreing and Co., and the result was that by a conveyance of February 19, 1901, all the property of the plaintiff company was transferred to the defendant company. The contention of the plaintiff was that this transfer was executed upon the express condition that a memorandum of even date should be binding upon the new company. One of the conditions was that the shareholders, Chinese and foreign alike, should have equal votes; that the company should be managed by two boards, English and Chinese; that Chang-Yen-Mao should continue to be director-general; and that the Chinese board should manage the property of the company in China. These provisions, it was said, had not been carried out. The new company refused to recognize them. The Chinese board was powerless; a manager was sent out who said he knew nothing of the memorandum, and the official business of the company was not transacted at Tientsin. The plaintiff sought a declaration that the terms of the memorandum were binding upon the company, or that the deed of transfer should be set aside. The defendants did not say that the memorandum was of no effect. Mr. Moreing, in his cross-examination, said that "some of the "directors "took the view that the memorandum was not "vital, but they still endeavoured to carry it "out. It was true that the majority of the "board took the view that the memorandum "had no legal effect, but witness always dis-"sociated himself from that." The main point upon which the counsel for the defendants relied was that the memorandum had, according to its reasonable construction, been acted upon, and that the proviso about making Chang director-general "as before" was in direct violation of English law. After a patient hearing the Judge has, in regard to all the principal points of the case, decided in favour of the plaintiff. Unless within a reasonable time the terms and conditions of the memorandum are complied with, the Court will do what it can to restore the property, and will take measures by injunction to restrain the defendants from parting with it. What is scarcely less important is the expression of opinion by the Judge that Chang-Yen-Mao had been guilty of no bad faith, while the conduct of some of those concerned in the matter was open to criticism.

Chang-Yen-Mao will go back to China with the esteem of all who heard him give his evidence. He will be able to assure the retrograde party at home that relations with astute British financiers do not necessarily turn out badly. There is no doubt that the events which he disclosed in Court profoundly affected the better class of Chinese, and shook their confidence in British good faith. Justly open to censure, the action of the English company was represented by enemies of this country in the worst colours, and if it had been uncorrected it would have stood seriously in the way of British enterprise. Many other lessons are to be deduced from a singularly interesting case. One is the inexpediency of the participation in the affairs of any company by officials at all connected with the Customs administration and the public service which, under Sir Robert Hart's supervision, has gained the confidence of the people of China. Englishmen are jealous as to anything which might affect the reputation which he has created for the Imperial Maritime Customs. But the chief reflection which the case suggests is that the victory of Chang-Yen-Mao is also of public importance, and that it will be useful to British capital and enterprise in the struggle now going on against formidable commercial rivals. In restoring his own good name he benefits the credit of this country."

Dress is the medicine of the soul. . . . Where a man takes a whisky and soda it is enough for a woman to buy a new hat.—Barry Pain.

Art is no more than the universal speech of humanity; and whatever taint there is in a character will be betrayed in the voice; though only the wise know this.—Bliss Carman in *Friendship of Art.*

I consider the family meal to be something much more sacred than merely an act of satisfying hunger. To me it is the meeting-ground of all family joys and all family sympathies.—Professor von Herkomer in "The House Beautiful."

THE AMERICAN TRUST-KILLER.

Mr. Thomas W. Lawson, the great American trust-killer, whose articles on "Frenzied Finance" in *Everybody's Magazine* have given that publication a circulation of over a million copies monthly, is out again with a two-column advertisement in the American newspapers calling attention to his "Frenzied Finance" instalment in the March number. (Here are a few gems from Mr Lawson's advertisement:—

Ireland, at the end of a hundred years of tortured struggle for Home Rule, will probably not attain that end before another five or ten have passed.

The French were fifty years trying to exchange their royal collar for the ballots of free men.

It took the stalwart, strenuous Yankee a decade to convince Royal George that his room was better than his company.

The Russians have been working their sanguinary kinetoscope night and day in the interest of constitutional government, and are still at it.

Sixty days after the people had "Frenzied Finance" in their hands, the "Standard Oil" monster was compelled, after forty years of silence, to publicly doff its insolent bonnet to the people.

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In seven months the greatest national bank in the country, the City Bank of New York, was being hung up by the heels where all the people could see it in a lower and more contemptible transaction than I had even accused it of.

In eight months one of the greatest insurance companies of America was rent by internal dissension, and its trustees were gouging and mauling each other in a public brawl as to who saw the people's savings first and who should have the larger part of the loot. Now these trustees of a great and sacred institution are accusing each other of things and hinting at crimes which even I have not touched upon.

"WIRELESS" AT SHANGHAI.

Here are three extracts from a long article in the *N.-C. Daily News*:—Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg & Co. have been appointed the agents for China and Manchuria for the "Telefunken" system, which is an amalgamation of the Braun-Siemens and Slaby-Arco systems. The firm has a central depot in Shanghai for the Far East (extending from India, to Japan, and including Singapore, Bangkok, and Hongkong), where a large stock of wireless telegraphic instruments are kept, rendering them able to fit up land or sea stations, and to supply portable military field stations.

At the rear of their (Shanghai) premises Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg have two aerial conductors erected on the roof of their godown. These wires are suspended by insulators attached to bamboo masts, and lead down to the apparatus room on the ground floor of their offices. It is not our purpose to describe technically the instruments in this apparatus room, but to refer to only those which must be mentioned in describing the method of transmitting and receiving messages from and at the station. As this station is only for communicating with a second testing station, situated at the Soy Chee Mills, a distance of some three miles, the aerial network is of ample dimensions. Electric power for the supply of the apparatus is obtained from the private central station at the rear of Messrs. Burkill and Sons' godown, which supplies this block of buildings with electricity. It may be noted, however, that all current from the Municipal supply is equally suitable. Each station consists of two distinct sets of apparatus, viz., the transmitting and the receiving apparatus.

At Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg & Co.'s station at Soy Chee Mills the aerial conductor is attached to two tall chimneys, the wire stretching across a space between them, and being carried down to an apparatus room where messages can be received or transmitted. If the men-of-war in the vicinity of Shanghai wish to tune their instruments they can do so by communicating with Soy Chee Mills. From the latter station messages can be easily sent 160 miles, and with additional power over three hundred miles. The station in Kiukiang Road is used principally for demonstrations, but messages could be sent from there to a considerable distance. A little time back an apparatus was erected from the China Telegraph Co.'s offices to Hongkew, in order that a demonstration might be given.

The cost of fitting up wireless telegraphy shows a striking reduction when compared with the cost of a submarine cable. In military operations the labour saved by wireless telegraphy is enormous, although of course in the latter case the enemy may be able to tap the messages, should they be provided with instruments tuned to the same wave-length.

Messrs. Arnhold, Karberg & Co. are conducting negotiations for the fitting up of stations locally, and we may soon have the wireless telegraph in daily use in the Settlement.

THE TREATMENT OF GORKY.

The ten thousand roubles required as bail before Maxim Gorky could be released was found by a company of literary friends, while M. Savva Morozoff, a well-known merchant of Moscow, had also to sign a document guaranteeing that the famous author should not leave St Petersburg. Gorky signed a paper binding himself to live in St. Petersburg until the end of the inquiry now being made concerning him.

However, in half-an-hour, before he had time to see his sick child, he was rearrested by special order of Gen. Tropoff and sent off to Riga, accompanied by a detective, although he had asked to be taken to the Crimea, as he was suffering from consumption. His wife and child were only able to see him as the train left the station.

He remained a free man in St. Petersburg for only half an hour. He had just reached home, and, feeling unwell, had just ordered a bath, when a telephone message came from the police office requesting him to return to fulfil certain formalities in connection with his release. He returned to the bureau, when he was immediately re-arrested. He had not even had time to see his son during the few minutes he was at home.

Gorky was placed in a coach with two gendarmes, and driven to the office of the secret police by special direction of Gen. Tropoff. He remained here until about an hour for the last train to Riga. Gorky was ordered to get into a carriage, and was driven to the railway station.—*Globe.*

THE RUSSIAN CRISIS.

GAPON DENOUNCES THE CZAR.

AN INCENDIARY APPEAL.

Humanite publishes the following letter, which it states Father Gapon is sending to the Czar:—

"Full of simple faith in you as the father of your people, I marched towards you peacefully, accompanied by the children of your people—as you must know—as you do know. The innocent blood of working men, of their wives and their children of tender age, will henceforth and for ever separate you, their assassin, and the Russian people. Never will the moral tie between the people and you be renewed. You will no longer be able to curb by any half-measure, or even by the promise of the States-General, the flood of popular feeling now furiously swollen. Bombs, dynamite, collective and individual, terrorism, and popular insurrection, await all the assassins of the people which has been despoiled of its rights. I tell you this, and so it shall be. Waves of blood, such as perhaps have nowhere else been seen, will be poured out on account of you.

"Russia herself will perhaps perish. Try to understand it once for all, and remember it. Renounce then, as soon as possible, with all your family, the throne of Russia, and appear before the tribunal of the Russian people. Have pity on your children; have pity on the countries of the Empire—you, who offered peace to other nations, and slaughtered your own."

In a postscript Father Gapon adds:—"Know that this letter is the document justifying incidents of revolution and terrorism, which will not fail to occur in Russia."

In an appeal to the Russian people, Father Gapon congratulates the working men on the heroism they have displayed in beginning the revolution, from which the happiness and liberty of Russia must spring. He bids them not to be discouraged, and not to be taken in by the promises of the "assassin Czar or his ignoble Ministers." "The victory," he says, "is near, if the Russian people shows a united front, without distinction of classes or creeds or race. Call to your aid men of action; have done with chatterers, and occupy yourselves at once with the propaganda and the organisation of armed insurrection. Join hands with the soldiers and the Cossacks. Despise the Holy Synod, and do not listen to the priests. Organise fighting battalions of working men. Do not give the accursed Government, that band of brigands and assassins of the people, time to collect its forces, but shoot the monsters, the chiefs and the officers of the police, governors, gendarmes, generals, and officers who give orders to shoot you. And do not forget armed demonstrations, local insurrections, and strikes. Know that all measures have been taken in order that you may have in time all sorts of arms in sufficient numbers, including dynamite."

Father Gapon bids the Russian people rise as one man at a signal from the Committee of Defence. "Stop the life of the cities," he says, "by destroying the water mains, the gas pipes, the telephone and telegraph wires, the tramways and railways, the Government buildings and the prisons. But respect private property."

He announces that the plan of the general insurrection will be worked out as soon as possible by the Committee of Defence in order to realise the abolition of autocracy, the institution of a provisional revolutionary Government, and the immediate summoning of a constituent assembly on the basis of universal suffrage. "Victory and Vengeance," he says, "are near." He promises to come to join the working men when the supreme moment arrives.

A CHINESE MINING COMPANY.

Chang Yen-Mao v. Moreing and Others.—On March 1st in Chancery, Mr. Justice Joyce delivered his reserved judgment in this action, the trial of which occupied his lordship 15 days. The plaintiffs were his Excellency Chang Yen-Mao and the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company of Tientsin, and they sought as against the defendants, Mr. Charles Algernon Moreing, Messrs. Bowick, Moreing & Co., and the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company (Limited), a declaration that a memorandum, dated February 19th 1901, signed by Mr. Herbert C. Hoover, the Chevalier de Wouters, Chang Yen-Mao, and Mr. Gustav Detring was binding on all the defendants, and for an order for the carrying into effect of provisions on such memorandum. The memorandum provided for the appointment of Chang—a high Chinese official—as director general of the defendant company for life, and for the constitution of a Chinese board of the company. The plaintiff, shortly after the memorandum had been signed, was placed in charge of the mission despatched to Berlin to offer the apologies of the Emperor of China to the Emperor William for the murder of the German Minister at Peking during the Boxer rising.

His lordship, in giving judgment, said his Excellency Chang was the director general of all the mines in the provinces of Chi-li and Jehol, and director general of the Chinese company. An agreement of July 30, 1900, between the parties contained an undertaking by the defendant company to assume the liabilities of the Chinese company, and to indemnify it therefrom. As to the nature, extent, and enormous value of the property comprised in the transfer there was no question. The transfer of the property was the outcome of a protracted discussion, and negotiation for the transformation of the Chinese company, to be formed in England so as to afford better protection for the property of the company in the disturbed state of the country during the Boxer rising, and also to secure foreign capital for the development of the mines. There were to be two boards of directors, one in China and one in London, the management of the property in China being in the China board, and Chang was to be director general, in general charge of affairs.

The agreement of July 30, 1900, purported to be a grant and assignment upon terms by Mr. Detring, as agent of the Chinese company, to Hoover, who was agent of the Moreings, upon trust of all property of the Chinese company, and it was provided that Hoover should hold the property as trustee for the contemplated new company. Chang objected to execute the transfer when it was submitted to him, because it did not contain any statement of the arrangements for which he had stipulated with respect to the constitution and management of the new company. The document did not appear to Chang adequately to protect his Government or the Chinese shareholders, and in that he was perfectly right. Between his Excellency and the agents of the defendants there were long and heated discussions, extending over four days, and Hoover admitted that he went so far as to use various threats to his Excellency. Ultimately his Excellency was induced, with difficulty, to accede to a proposal that the terms on account of the absence of which from the transfer he refused to execute that document should be embodied in another document called the memorandum, and under that arrangement his Excellency was assured that the memorandum was the ruling document, that it would be binding, and would be carried into effect.

Upon the faith and in reliance of that assurance his Excellency was induced to affix his seal to the transfer, and the memorandum was executed at the same time. It appeared to his lordship that the execution and terms of the memorandum formed not only the material but an essential part of the consideration for the transfer. The terms of the memorandum had not been observed or performed, but the company had taken possession of the property of the company, and it appeared that Hoover, on March 2, 1901, took possession of some of the title-deeds of the property by main force. In the circumstances, to allow the defendant company, while they insisted on retaining the benefits of the transfer, to escape from the obligations of the memorandum upon any such pretence as that Hoover and de Wouters were not authorised to agree to its terms, or that it was impossible for the defendants to perform some of its terms without altering its constitution, would be contrary to one of the plainest principles of equity. To sanction such a flagrant breach of faith would not be tolerated by the law of any country.

Chang and Detring—his lordship could not help suspecting it was somewhat to the disappointment of the defendants—came to this country for the trial. His lordship said he could not directly order the specific performance of the memorandum, but he would declare that the memorandum was binding against the defendants, and that the defendant company was not entitled to take or retain possession or control of the property comprised in the transfer without complying with or performing the provisions and obligations contained in the memorandum. Unless within a reasonable time the memorandum was complied with, the court ought to do what it could to restore to the plaintiffs the mines and properties, and, probably by injunction, if necessary, to prevent the defendants from retaining possession. The defendant company would pay all the plaintiffs' costs, and the Moreings would pay their own costs. His lordship added: "In the investigation before me of the transactions in question, it has not been shown that his Excellency Chang has been guilty of any breach of faith or any impropriety at all. This is more than I can say of some of the other parties concerned."

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),
the 6th APRIL, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road,
SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CARPETS and RUGS;
CROCKERY, GLASS and PLATED WARE;
One JINRICKSHA.
And Sundry other Goods.
TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [885

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY),
the 6th APRIL, 1905, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street,
A COLLECTION OF
JAPANESE CURIOS,
Comprising:—
FINE BRONZE VASES, and INCENSE BURNERS, &c.;
SILVER CLOISONNE VASES and BOWLS, &c.;
SATSUMA VASES, JARS, BOWLS and INCENSE BURNERS, &c.;
OLD CUT VELVET HANGINGS;
SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS, &c.;
And
A SELECTION OF
FINE WATER-COLOURS.
TERMS:—As Customary.
On View from Wednesday, the 5th April.
GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. 861

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, St. George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 8th April, 1905, at 11 A.M. for the year ending 31st December, 1904, declaring a Dividend and Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 5th to Saturday, the 8th April, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1905. [822

WM. POWELL, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account of the year 1904-5, at the Rate of Fifty cents per Share, will be Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after the 10th of April.

The REGISTER of SHARES and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from Wednesday, 5th April until Monday, 10th April, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfers can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
E. A. MOUNTFORD WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. 859

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, St. George's Building, on SATURDAY, the 15th April, 1905, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1904, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to Elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 15th day of April, both days inclusive.

J. WHEELEY,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1905. [838

Under the Patronage of H.E. the GOVERNOR.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

MR. EDWARD BRANSCOMBE'S
WESTMINSTER
GLEE & CONCERT PARTY
from London.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!
Received Last Night with Tremendous Applause.
Every Item Encored.
TO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), 5th April,
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SPECIAL MATINEE
THIS (WEDNESDAY) AFTERNOON,
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When children will be admitted at Half-price.

Complete Change of Programme each Concert.

Programme includes a Unique Collection of
GLEES, MADRIGALS, CATCHES, NATIONAL BALLADS,
of
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HUMOROUS MUSICAL SKETCHES.

FOUR BOY SOLO SOPRANOS.
LONDON CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS.
Box Office Robinson Piano Co.
Prices $3, 2 & 1. Concert 9-11 P.M.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. 894

THEATRE ROYAL. CITY HALL.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

ONE SUMMER'S DAY

A COMEDY IN 3 ACTS.

BY H. V. ESMOND,

will be produced

FRIDAY, 7TH APRIL, 1905.
SATURDAY, 8TH " "
MONDAY, 10TH " "

PRICES... ... . $3, $2 & $1.

Sailors and Soldiers in uniform Half-Price to Pit Stalls and Pit.

Booking Office at ROBINSON PIANO COMPANY, open on and after Monday, 3rd April, from 9 A.M. to 4.30 P.M. each day.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1905. [837

THE HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS Holding SPOON orders are requested to present them at Messrs. WANG HING'S on or before the 15th April next, as the Association is winding up.

MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. 877

TELEPHONE COMPANY.

KOWLOON EXCHANGE.

THE TELEPHONE AREA WILL BE EXTENDED to include the whole of the Kowloon Peninsula on July 1st next. The Tariff for Telephones on Kowloon Exchange will be the same as in Hongkong and there will be free intercommunication between the two areas.

The Company's Exchanges are open day and night all the year round.

As the accommodation is, for the present, limited, intending Subscribers should communicate at once with

THE MANAGER,
CHINA AND JAPAN TELEPHONE AND ELECTRIC CO., LD.,
2, Ice House Road.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. 852

TO LET

TO LET.

FURNISHED, THE CASTLE.
For particulars, apply to—
GEO. K. HALL BRUTTON,
39 & 41, Des Vœux Road.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905. [777

TO LET.

EYRIE. Unfurnished. Newly repaired, Painted and Colourwashed.
No. 7, BELILIOS TERRACE, 1st Row.
No. 21, " 3rd Row.
No. 18, " 3rd Row.
No. 20, " 3rd Row.
No. 1, DES VŒUX VILLAS.
BUNGALOW (Furnished), at New Territory, Kowloon, 4 Rooms, low rental.
"KELLETT CREST" (Furnished), Peak, for 2½ months from 15th April to 30th June, 1905.
2ND FLOOR in Central position, containing Four Large Rooms, Anteroom and Lavatory, &c., with use of Electric Lift. Well suited for Offices.
Apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. [90

TO LET.

NOS. 1 and 3 "FAIRVIEW" Robinson Road, Kowloon, SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES Five Rooms each and Gardens. Moderate rentals.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.,
Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. 850

TO LET.

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables, entrances in both Kennedy and MacDonnell Roads.
For full particulars, apply to—
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. 478

TO LET

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [8

TO LET.

OFFICE ROOMS at Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's Road Central (Corner House); also GODOWNS at Back. Can be let separately or wholly. Rent moderate, cheaper if the whole is taken on a long lease.
SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases.
Apply to— CHUNG SHUN KOO,
12 & 14, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [92

TO LET.

IN Hotel Mansions THREE OFFICES commanding position on Front.
Apply—
M. J. D. STEPHENS, Solicitor,
18 Bank Buildings.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1905. 1845

TO LET.

OFFICES in "Hotel Mansions," facing New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply to—
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. 180

TO LET.

TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1905. Moderate Rentals.
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 21st June, 1904. [869

TO LET.

A LARGE and SPACIOUS ROOM or OFFICE on the First Floor of No. 3, Queen's Road Central. Possession from 1st April, 1905.
For particulars, please apply to—
WONG CHU SANG,
Care of Yee Sang Fat,
Opposite the Post Office.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [635

TO LET.

"GLENIFFER," Garden Road, Kowloon, DETACHED HOUSE with Garden. Moderate Rental, ready for immediate occupation.
Apply to—
HENRY HUMPHREYS,
or to
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905 820

TO LET.

NEW STORE nearing completion to Let in Chater Road, opposite Hongkong Hotel, in the heart of new business centre.
Apply— "ALPHA,"
Care of *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1905. 748

FOR SALE AND TO LET.

FINE BUILDING SITES for Sale in Wanchai Road.
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.
Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [272

TO LET.

FOUR or FIVE OFFICE ROOMS on First Floor of "Hotel Mansions" facing the New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply— L.,
Care of *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1905. 675

TO LET.

SUITABLE for Offices, TWO ROOMS in Prince's Buildings.
Apply to—
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [61

TO LET

TO LET.

NOS. 74, CAINE ROAD.
GODOWNS Nos. 34A, 34B, 34C, Praya East.
Apply to—
COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. [84

TO LET.

BRAE-SIDE, 20, Macdonnell Road, 16 ROOMED HOUSE with Garden, suitable for a Mess or a Boarding House.
Apply to—
C. F. DE CARVALHO,
Care of H. & S. Bank.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. 849

TO LET.

A WELL FURNISHED SIX ROOMED HOUSE, Excellent situation, Garden, Tennis Court and Swimming Bath.
Apply to—
H. HUMPHREYS.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [492

TO LET.

FURNISHED ROOM with Board for two gentlemen at Kowloon; Tennis.
Apply to— P. H.,
Care of *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. 882

TO LET.

ROOM 13 (Top Floor) Beaconsfield Arcade, preferably as an Office.
Apply—
Dr. MACLEOD,
No. 11 Beaconsfield Arcade.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. 883

TO LET.

FURNISHED BEDROOM for Two Gentlemen, with Board $60 each. Central and healthy position.
Apply— "ENGLISH,"
Care of *Daily Press* Office.
Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. [890

TO LET.

NO. 3, CANTON VILLAS, Kowloon.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [819

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIPON TERRACE.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing the Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWNS; PRAYA EAST.
A BUILDING at Causeway Bay, at present in occupation of the Steam Laundry Co., Ld.
Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. 181

A. LING & CO.,
FURNITURE STORE.
PLATED GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c.; and FOOCHOW LACQUERED WARE.
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [22

BANKS

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL	£1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED	1,125,000
PAID-UP	562,500
RESERVE FUND	80,000

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balances.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months.....4 %
" 6 " 3½%
" 3 " 2½%
EVAN ORMISTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903. 26

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND—	
STERLING RESERVE...	$10,000,000
SILVER RESERVE ...	8,000,000
	$18,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS.	$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
H. E. TOMKINS, Esq.—Chairman.
H. W. SLADE, Esq.—Deputy Chairman.
E. Goetz, Esq. H. Schubart, Esq.
Hon. W. J. Gresson, E. Shellim, Esq.
A. Haupt, Esq. N. A. Siebs, Esq.
G. H. Medhurst, Esq. Hon. R. Shewan
A. J. Raymond, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH

MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. E. R. Hunter.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of Two per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3½ per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months 4 per cent. per Annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. 23

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP	£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£800,000
RESERVE FUND	£800,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily balances
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent
" " 6 " 3½ "
" " 3 " 2½ "
T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.
Hongkong, 19th May 1904. 29

BANKS

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ...	Yen	24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP	"	18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED	"	6,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....	"	9,720,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

Tokio	Kobe	Nagasaki
London	Lyons	New York
San Francisco	Honolulu	Bombay
Shanghai	Tientsin	Newchwang
Dalny	Peking	Liaoyang

LONDON BANKERS.
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED
PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent per annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months 5% per annum
" " " " 6 " 4% " "
" " " " 3 " 3% " "
TAKEO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1905.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at ¾ PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of $100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1902 22

THE
DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL.....Sh. Taels 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin	Calcutta	Hankow
Tientsin	Tsingtau	Taiuanfu

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LIMITED.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

M. HOMANN,
Manager
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. 28

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION,

Fiscal Agents of the United States in China the Philippine Islands and the Republic of Panama.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS
AUTHORISED ... ...Gold $10,000,000
CAPITAL PAID UP... ... ...Gold $3,947,200
RESERVE FUND ... ...Gold $3,947,200
HEAD OFFICE: New York.
LONDON OFFICE: Threadneedle House, E.C
Branches and Agents all over the World.
LONDON BANKERS.
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED,
BRITISH LINEN COMPANY BANK.

The Corporation transacts every description of Banking and Exchange business, receives money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.
20, Des Vœux Road,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1905. [29

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..Shanghai Tls. 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL ... " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.

Canton	Peking
Chefoo	Penang
Hankow	Singapore
Tientsin.	

The Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS
At 2% per annum on Current Account daily balances.
3% per annum on Fixed Deposits for 3 months
4% " " " " " 6 "
5% " " " " " 12 "
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1904. [27

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER)

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED .....Yen 5,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amoy	Kobe	Tainan
Anping	Nagasaki	Tamsui
Foochow	Osaka	Tokio
Keelung	Shanghai	Yokohama

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposits received on terms which may be learnt on application.

S. SHIGENAGA, Manager.
Hongkong, 1st November, 1904. [2578

SHANGHAI AND HONGKEW WHARF CO., LTD.

At the annual meeting of this Company on March 29 h, Mr. H. Keswick the Chairman said that the balance at the credit of profit and loss account was Tls. 190,255 and when it was noted that the large overdraft at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the loans from the General Managers were practically wiped off and in future the heavy charge for interest would not be incurred as it had been in the past, it would, he hoped, be recognised that the company was now in a sound financial position with a good earning power. Further large sums would have to be spent in securing adequate accommodation for their ever-increasing business, and although they had at the credit of the Building reserve account Tls. 487,210, still that and even perhaps larger sums might be required in rendering their property fully up to date in every particular. It was the intention of the General Managers, with the approval and advice of the Board of Directors, and, he hoped, with the shareholders approval, to gradually continue work which would render their property fully remunerative. Various sums would be spent in putting up godowns, etc., to give vessels every facility for the landing and handling of cargo, so that in the course of a very short time their wharves would be second to none, and thereby bring in a still more enhanced revenue. The Tungkadoo property had for a long time lain idle. Certain sums had been spent in making wharf accommodation there. During the year under review special pains had been taken to arrange for their Chinese constituents becoming acquainted with that property, and the storage facilities and wharf. They had obtained such a buantity of raw cotton that the godowns there were full continuously during the cotton season. The work was not remunerative beyond paying interest on the outlay because this property was such a long way off and people had not been accustomed to going there; as they knew it was very difficult to overcome "old" custom. They had managed to overcome it to a certain extent and had now got a considerable amount of business at Tungkadoo. A very regrettable incident occurred shortly after the initiation of their business there. A portion of their wharf was undermined by the vagaries of the tide which ran up and down there with tremendous force. The first indication of any trouble was the setting out of the top of the wharf. Immediate steps were taken to remedy this inclination outwards. It was intended to brace the staging up with very strong braces, running right away back inland so as to take the strain, and it was hoped to save the staging from being lost altogether. While this work was in progress further undermining evidently took place, and the staging went out from below, putting about 120 ft. of staging or more into deep water. There was a godown near, which the General Managers had already sold for old material to a Chinese contractor who was to take it away, the idea being to put up a new godown in its place. When the slip occurred and there was a deep hole left where previously there had been 18 ft. of water it was thought better to repurchase this godown for a moderate price—Tls. 300—and put the materials over the bank in order to check further interruptions from the stream and give a good solid bank. That gave rise to various unfounded reports that their godowns were tumbling piecemeal into the water, that the whole of their Tungkadoo property was being washed away, and other wild reports. These reports were entirely unfounded and must have been started by persons whose aim could only have been mischievous. Since the wash-out had occurred the best expert advice obtainable had been taken. The experts suggested the building of groins. This was taken in hand at once. They were now completed and were working very successfully, so much so that at the particular place where the wash-out occurred the bottom was silting up rapidly. Instead of a hole of 40 ft. of water it was shallowing off and there was now only a depth of about 28 ft. while the process was still going on. They had had considerable anxiety as to the action of the stream on the remainder of the property, and it was being watched carefully, and full records kept of soundings. He was glad to state that so far these steps taken on the advice of old hands had been entirely successful, and, personally, he was confident that there would be no more trouble. It was a mistake to prophesy, but that was his honest opinion. To replace the godown taken down they had put in hand a new godown of equal size which would give good accomodation. With regard to the property lying below Tungkadoo steps were being taken to connect the staging with the shore by gangways, and the ground was being fenced and levelled, giving them storage accommodation for coal and other merchandise which did not require to be under cover. This scheme, he thought, would bring in considerable revenue. With regard to the Hongkew wharves there were a number of old godowns and sheds covering space which could be better utilised, and they therefore proposed to build two, three, or four-storeyed godowns as might be later decided, in order to make the very best use of the space. He could not say whether two, three, or four-storeyed godowns would be erected as he had had great difficulty in getting from the architects sufficient data on which to work. It was all a question of the price of a four-storeyed godown compared with a two-storeyed one, and the earnings they might expect to get from them. He thought the best way, as far as he could see at present, would be to build really good four-storeyed godowns, and take the example of their friends the N.Y.K., who had developed their property at Hongkew in such a wonderful way. He thought that the scheme for godowns of several stories was a proper one, but he would ask the shareholders to leave the matter to their directors, while assuring them that earnest attention would be given to it. The Pootung godowns were well filled and earning well. The open spaces were fully occupied by coal, a large portion of it likely to remain there for a considerable time. There was one other matter he would like to mention, and that was the question of a bonus to the foreign staff. The wharves were full of work, and the staff had worked hard and he thought that they might very well be given a bonus. He would prefer a resolution to this effect to come from one of the shareholders. That was all he had to say, and before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts he would be very pleased to answer any questions and give any information in his power.

Mr. E. J. Hogg said he thought they must all have been very pleased to hear the Chairman's remarks on the condition of the Tungkadoo Wharf. They showed that very careful attention had been paid to it in the past year, and how the foresight which was being shown now was likely to bear fruit. The explanation of the reports about this property showed that the rumours had been unfounded and that the property was now in good condition. When old custom had once been got over, this portion of their business would probably be a very profitable one. There was one matter he wished to draw attention to with regard to the accounts, and that was that it seemed to him a very inconvenient thing to put the next year's repair accounts down on this year's accounts. It led to cross entries and did not really do anyone any good. If each year stood on its merits it would be much more satisfactory. He also took the opportunity of suggesting, as he had done in former years, that the shareholders should be shown the value of their property. From year to year the principle had been acknowledged in the chair and he throught that perhaps the time had now come when the Board would see fit to carry it out. The property had greatly increased in value during the past few years. The reasons given before, that it was just as well to leave the property in the accounts at the old value, were not clear. He therefore suggested that it should be put down at its proper value. He would like to congratulate the Board on the prosperous condition of the wharves.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Hogg for his remarks, which the directors of the Company would bear in mind. The reason for the Tls. 24,000 being put to the repairs' account for the next year was that that sum might be available to meet the expenditure on the Tungkadoo property, which had been rendered necessary during the past year, but had not yet been paid for. He did not think that it would come to such a large amount as that, but they thought it wise to make that provision. With regard to the revaluation of the property, that was a question on which he must differ, because, while fully appreciating that Mr. Hogg had very good reasons, he did not see personally, and he thought the remainder of the directors were with him, that it mattered. If it would bring in more money to the Company it would be different, but although it was beyond doubt that the property had increased in value, the revaluation of it would not bring in any further return. The directors and general managers had to so manage the wharf as to get in the biggest dividends possible, and the revaluation of the property would not affect the dividends. It might affect the shares to a certain number of people who were not well acquainted with what they were dealing. However, if the shareholders wished to have the property revalued there was nothing to be done but to follow their instructions.

The following resolutions were then put to the meeting and carried unanimously:—

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. McLeod: That the report and accounts as presented be adopted.

Proposed by Mr. J. M. Young, seconded by Mr. B. A. Clarke: That Messrs. A. McLeod, W. D. Little, E. C. Pearce, and in addition the senior representative of Jardine, Matheson & Co. be re-elected directors for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Mr. Hanson, seconded by Mr. Hogg that Messrs. G. R. Wingrove and H. W. G. Hayter be re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. W. D. Little. That a final dividend for 1904 of Tls. 6 per share on 20,000 old shares, and Tls. 3 per share on 11,848 new shares be paid.

Proposed by Mr. B. A. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Cooper: That a bonus of 10 per cent on their annual salaries be paid to the members of the staff.—From *N.-C. Daily News* report.

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HONGKONG, 4th April, 1905.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

GERMANIA, German str., 1,713, Petersen, 4th April,—Tourane 1st April, Coal.—Jebsen & Co.

HAITAN, British str., 1,183, Roach, 4th April,—Coast Ports 31st March, General.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

KRONGWAI, German str., 1,115, W. Mollermann, 3rd April,—Bangkok 28th March, Rice.—Nord deutscher Lloyd.

MATHILDE, German steamer, 678, Ulderup, 4th April,—Haiphong 1st April, Rice and General.—Jebsen & Co.

RUBI, British str., 1,611, A. H. Notley, 4th April,—Manila 1st April, General.—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

SHANTUNG, British str., 1,740, Quail, 4th April,—Hongay 1st April, Coal.—Butterfield & Swire.

STIKLESTAD, Norw. str., 1,117, Th. Nielsen, 4th April,—Singapore 27th Mar., Coal.—Order.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

4th April.

Germania, German str., for Canton.
Stiklestad, Norwegian str., for Nagasaki.
Westminster Bridge, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

4th April.

ANGHIN, German str., for Hoihow.
ARMAND BEHIC, French str., for Shanghai.
CLARA JEBSEN, German str., for Swatow.
COPTIC, British str., for San Francisco.
COSTANTE, Italian str., for Kobe.
HAIMUN, British str., for Swatow.
JASON, British str., for Shanghai.
KISH, British str., for Saigon.
LINAN, British str., for Ningpo.
LISA, Swedish str., for Canton.
LOONGMOON, German str., for Shanghai.
PURNEA, British str., for Amoy.
QUARTA, German str., for Kobe.
SAS ROWA British str., for Yokohama.
TAIYUAN, British str., for Kobe.
THAN, British str., for Manila.
TOURANE, French str., for Europe.
TROCAS, British str., for Balik Papan.
WAIHGRA, British str., for Swatow.
WATERWITCH, British surveying-vessel, for a cruise.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Haitan* reports: Variable winds, rain and fog throughout.

The British str. *Rubi* reports: Light variable winds and moderate sea to lat. 19 N.; thence strong N.N.E. wind and high beam sea to port.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

March 16, British str. *Angola*, Cameron, Jan. 12, from Cardiff for Hongkong.

March 17, *Anchises*, de Boer, March 17, from Batavia for Amsterdam.

March 19, *Bergedorf*, Saegert, Dec. 24, from Hamburg *via* Algoa Bay for Batavia.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

4th April.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—

HONGKONG DOCKS.—*Westminster Bridge*, U.S.S. *Bainbridge*, U.S.S. *Dale*, U.S.S. *Decatur*, *Proteus*, *Erna*, *Kaipan*, U.S.S. *Barry*, U.S.S. *Wisconsin*.

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [83

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1905. [2

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Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [887

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

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SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.
2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.
3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.
4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & RIG	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	NUBIA	Brit. str.	—	F. N. Tillard	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 8th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MANILA	Brit. str.	—	H.G.H. Lewellin, R.N.R	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 12th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	KAISOW	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	JASON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP	DIOMED	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 23rd May.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	BAROTSE	Brit. str.	—	A. Lee	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst., at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	TONKIN	Fren. str.	—	Charbonnel	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 18th inst., at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	PRINZ HEINRICH	Ger. str.	—	P. Grosch	MELCHERS & Co.	On 12th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Knaisel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SERBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jacob	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 1st May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Schoenfeldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FERD. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	k.w.	von Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 13th June.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	TRIESTE	Aus. str.	—	Mistrorigo	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 1st May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ALCINOUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	LAERTES	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th May.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	LOWTHER CASTLE	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 19th inst.
NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SCHUYLKILL	Brit. str.	—	Nicholas	STANDARD OIL CO.	On 7th inst., at Daylight.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—	Burnett	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 25th inst.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ	NUBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Habel	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 25th May.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPRESS OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 19th inst.
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VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	SHAWMUT	Am. str.	—	E. V. Roberts	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.	On 13th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c.	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	—	Wagner	PORTLAND & ASIATIC S.S. CO	On 11th inst., at Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	WILLEHAD	Ger. str.	—	Ph. Abenauer	MELCHERS & CO.	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	AUSTRALIAN	Brit. str.	—	McArthur	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 8th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	POONA	Brit. str.	—	C. R. Longden, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 15th inst.
CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG & TIENTSIN	CHIELI	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SHANGHAI	LOKSANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
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TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY	FRITHJOF	Ger. str.	—	Schlaikier	OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 9th inst., at 8 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DECIMA	Ger. str.	—		OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KAIFONG	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	HAITAN	Brit. str.	2 h.	Roach	DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
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MANILA	TREMONT	Am. str.	—	T. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 12th inst.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	R. Rodger	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 15th inst., at 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	TJIPANAS	Dut. str.	—	Zwart	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN	About 18th inst.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON SAMARANG &c.	GREGORY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	J. G. Olifont	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	LAISANG	Brit. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 11th inst., at 3 P.M.
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QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1905 [7

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; ALSO LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACE IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES. 1905
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 12th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 26th April
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY ... 10th May
ROON	WEDNESDAY ... 24th May
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY ... 7th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY ... 21st June
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY ... 5th July
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY ... 19th July
SCHARNHORST	WEDNESDAY ... 2nd August
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 16th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY ... 30th August

ON WEDNESDAY, 12th day of the APRIL, 1905, at NOON, the Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain P. Grosch, with MAILS PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on MONDAY, the 10th April. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 11th April, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON on TUESDAY, the 11th April.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. 5

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	COROMANDEL, G. M. Montford, R.N.R.	About 7th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	NUBIA, F. N. Tillard	Noon, 8th April	*See Special Advertisement.*
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	MANILA, H. G. H. Lewellin, R.N.R.	About 12th April	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea)	POONA, C. R. Longden, R.N.R.	About 15th April	Freight only.

For further Particulars, apply to

L. S. LEWIS,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. 1

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STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBI	2540	A. H. Notley	Manila via Amoy.	Sat., 8th April, 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct.	Sat., 15th April, 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. 115

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

JAPAN—CHINA—AUSTRALIA LINE VIA NEW GUINEA.

STEAM FOR FRIEDRICH-WILHELMSHAFEN, HERBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

TO-MORROW, the 6th day of April, 1905, at 5 P.M., the Steamship "WILLEHAD," Captain Ph. Abenauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
For Further Particulars, apply to
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Agents.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. [862

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN,"

Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 8th April, at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A duly qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 16th March, 1905. [740

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.
PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"NUBIA,"

Captain F. N. Tillard, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 8th April, at NOON, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "China," 7,912 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement), will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. "Caledonia," due in London on the 20th May, 1905.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
L. S. LEWIS,
Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [1

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA.
(Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

STEAM FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO. (Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship

"CAPRI,"

Captain Belsito, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 12th inst., at NOON.

At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [4

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK,
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL
(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1905.	About
"LOWTHER CASTLE" ...	19th April.
"SAGAMI" ...	20th May.

For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [283

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"
Captain T. Austin, R.N.R.

THIS Steamer departs from Hongkong, on Week Days, at 8 A.M.; and on Sundays, at 8.30 A.M.: Departs from Macao on Week Days about 2.30 P.M. and on Sundays at 6.30 P.M.

FARES—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), Single $3, Return Ticket $5. 2nd Class $1. 3rd Class 50 cents.

Every Sunday will be on Excursion, at the following rates:
1st and 2nd Class, Single Ticket $1, Return $2. 3rd Class, Single 30 cents, Return 50 cents, Steerage 10 cents.

Tiffin and Dinner can be supplied either on board, or at the Macao Hotel, for returning Passengers only, at an extra charge of $2.

On Sundays, Passengers desiring to have a Private Cabin, which has accommodation for two or more Passengers, will be charged $3 extra.

First Class Passengers who do not care to return on the Excursion Sunday, will be allowed to do so the following day (Monday) on production of the Return Half Ticket. Should the Steamer not run on the Monday, owing to the Boiler cleaning, due notice will be given by the Captain, and the Half-ticket will be available for the following day.

The Steamer is lit throughout by Electricity.

The Steamer's Wharf at Hongkong is at the Western end of Wing Lok Street.

MING ON & CO.
2nd Floor, 16, Victor Street.

Hongkong, 7th October, 1904.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"LAERTES"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"CHINGWO"	On 15th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TELEMACHUS"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL ..	"DIOMED"	On 21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL ..	"CALCHAS"	On 29th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"DEUCALION"	On 6th May.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"KAISOW"	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 9th May.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	On 20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 23rd May.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TELEMACHUS"...	On 20th April.

For Freight, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [910

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG & TIENTSIN	"CHIHLI".....	On 5th April.
MANILA. THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	* ‡ "CHINGTU".....	On 8th April.
AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO..	* "KAIFONG"	On 10th April.
MANILA	* "TAMING"	On 11th April.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
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‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to—

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1905. [11

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIPANAS.	JAPAN	First half of April	JAVA PORTS	First half of April
TJILATJAP..	JAVA	First half of April	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	First half of April
TJIMAHI ...	JAVA	First half of April	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of April

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.
For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the
HEAD AGENCY OF THE
JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor. Telephone No. 375.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. [16

INDO-CHINA STEAMNAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

(PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI	"LOKSANG"...	Wednesday, 5th April, 4 P.M.
* MANILA	"LOONGSANG"...	Friday, 7th April, 4 P.M.
*SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG".....	Tuesday, 11th April, 3 P.M.

* These steamers have superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
† Taking Cargo on Through Bills of Lading to Chefoo, Tientsin and Yangtsze Ports.
For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1905. [18

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

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Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANTE, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	
SUEVIA ..... Capt. Knaisel ...	HAVRE and HAMBURG ..... (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 10th April.	Freight.
* SILESIA ..... Capt. Bahle	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG ..... (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 24th April.	Freight & Passengers.
SERBIA ..... Capt. Jacob	HAVRE and HAMBURG ..... (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 1st May.	Freight.
* SLAVONIA..... Capt. Madsen.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG..... (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 2nd May.	Freight & Passengers.
SEGOVIA ..... Capt. Schoenfeldt	HAVRE and HAMBURG ..... (Calling at Singapore Penang and Colombo)	On 16th May.	Freight.
SENEGAMBIA... Capt. Jaburg	HAVRE and HAMBURG..... (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 30th May.	Freight.
C. FERD. LAEISZ Capt. von Hoff ...	HAVRE and HAMBURG ..... (Calling at Singapore, Penang and Colombo)	On 13th June.	Freight.
NUBIA..... Capt. Habel	NEW YORK VIA SUEZ ..... with liberty to call at the Malabar coast	On 25th May.	Freight.

* Special attention of intending Passengers is drawn to the splendid accommodation of these steamers. Saloons and cabins amidships. Lighted throughout by electricity.
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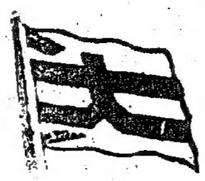

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REGULAR STEAM-SHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"DECIMA" SCHLAIKIER	THURSDAY, 6th April, at 10 A.M.
TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY	"FRITHJOF" H. A. HARALDSEN	SUNDAY, 9th April, at 8 A.M.

On account of the present state of political affairs, all the Company's new steamers have been requisitioned for transport service, and the above-named chartered steamers have been secured instead for maintenance of the Company's coastal services. As soon as the state of affairs permit, the Company will resume running with its specially designed new steamers.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office at No. 8 Des Vœux Road Central.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1905 T. ARIMA, Manager. [14

SOUTH AFRICAN LINE OF STEAMERS.

HONGKONG DIRECT, OR VIA CHEFOO OR CHIN-WAN-TAO, TO DURBAN, NATAL.
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S.S. "LOTHIAN" ... ... Captain J. C. Williamson.
S.S. "INDRAVELLI"... ... Captain S. Callington.
S.S. "COURTFIELD"... ... Captain J. W. Martin.
S.S. "CRANLEY" ... ... Captain W. E. Steele.
S.S. "IKBAL" ... ... Captain M. Robertson.
S.S. "ASCOT" ... ... Captain C. E. Cox.
S.S. "SIKH" ... ... Captain J. Rowley.
S.S. "INKULA"... ... ... Captain Dean.
S.S. "KATHERINE PARK"... Captain Copp.

For Freight, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [19

FOR NEW YORK
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST).

THE Steamship

"SCHUYLKILL,"

Captain Nicholas, due here on or about April 5th, will be despatched as above at Daylight on the 7th.
She will be followed by the s.s. "HUDSON," Captain Burnett, sailing hence on or about April 25th.
For Freight & further information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY
OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department.
4, Des Vœux Road, Central.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1905. [601

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT),
Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANGOON, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).
THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE,"

Captain Mistrorigo, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 1st May.
For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
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Princes' Buildings.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [3

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.
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Hongkong, 4th August, 1904.

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FLEAS, BEETLES, BUGS, FLIES.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

BOGSTAD, Norwegian steamer, 1,982, H. S. Gullicksen, 16th March,—Chinkiang 11th March, General.—Order.
BOSCOMBE, British str., 2,446, Mackay, 13th March,—Durban 5th Feb., Coal.—Order.
CHARTERHOUSE, British str., 1,274, R. S. Bainbridge, 2nd April—Singapore 28th March, General.—Chinese.
CHIHLI, British str., 1,142, Hooker, 31st March, —Tientsin 23rd March and Chefoo 26th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
DAGNY, Norwegian str., 889, Abrahamsen, 2nd April,—Penarth 9th Feb., Coal.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
DECIMA, German str., 794, H. Schlaikier, 2nd April,—Anping, Amoy and Swatow 1st April, General.—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
DEVAWONGSE, German str., 1,057, Goschen, 28th March,—Bangkok 22nd March, Rice and General.—Norddeutscher Lloyd.
DR. H. J. KIAER, Norw. str., 691, Larsen, 1st April,—Haiphong and Hoihow 31st March, General.—A. R. Marty.
EENA, German str., 968, Torpehn, 16th March, —Germany 1st January, General.—Order.
GAEA, German str., 625, H. Dahl, 2nd April, —Bangkok 26th Mar., Rice and Rice-flour. —Chinese.
GERMANIA, German str., 1,000, H. Flugel, 26th March,—Sydney 9th Feb., Copra.—Siemssen & Co.
GREGORY APCAR, British str., 2,961, J. G. Olifent, 27th March,—Calcutta and Straits 11th March, General.—David Sassoon & Co.
HILARY, German str., 1,274, Fred. Ziegler, 3rd April,—Penarth 10th Feb., Coal.—Order.
HONGKONG, French str., 742, A. Suzzoni, 3rd April,—Haiphong and Hoihow 2nd April, General.—A. R. Marty.
IKBAL, British str., 3,490, Robertson, 10th Feb., —Durban 17th January, Ballast.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
KATHARINE PARK, British str., 3,075, W. H. Copp, 12th Jan.,—Sasebo (Japan) 8th Jan., Light.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
KING ROBERT, British str., 2,516, R. M. Saunders, 2nd April,—Kutchinotzu 26th March, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
KORSICHANG, German str., 1,296, C. Gosewich, 3rd April,—Swatow 2nd April, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
KOWLOON, German str., 2,320, Stehr, 30th Mar., —Chinkiang 27th Mar., General.—Siemssen & Co.
KWANGLEE, Chinese str., 1,474, R. Lincoln, 2nd April,—Shanghai 30th March, General.—Chinese.
KWANGTAH, Chinese str., 1,536, H. Lunt, 30th March,—Shanghai 27th March, General. —Chinese.
LAISANG, British str., 2,225, Lake, 3rd April,—Calcutta and Straits 28th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LISA, Swedish str., 998, H. Horndahl, 2nd April, —Chinkiang 29th Mar., General.—Sander, Wieler & Co.
LOKSANG, British str., 979, L. Hussey, 27th March,—Wuhu and Chinkiang 22nd Mar., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LOONGSANG, British str., 1,092, G. S. Weigall, 3rd April,—Manila 31st March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LOTHIAN, British str., 3,711, J. C. Williamson, 12th Feb.,—Port Natal 15th Jan.—Dodwell & Co.
MERCEDES, British str., 2,925, G. S. McGregor 2nd March,—Weihaiwei 25th February.—Admiralty.
NORD, Swedish str., 1,372, A. E. Sundberg, 2nd April,—Moji 25th March, Coal.—Order.
POLLUX, Norwegian str., 779, C. Svendsen, 14th March,—Rajang 7th March, Timber. —Order.
POSCHAN, German str., 1,799, P. Lemcke, 24th March,—Moji 18th March, Coal.—Jebsen & Co.
PROTEUS, German str., 1,024, C. Moller, 15th March,—Moji 9th March, Coal.—Aagaard, Thoresen & Co.
RUTH, Norwegian str., 2,239, Thos. Helliesen, 1st April,—Moji 26th March, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
SAMSON, German str., 992, Renwoldt, 31st March,—Bangkok and Kohsichang 24th March, Rice.—Melchers & Co.
TENFELD, German str., 670, H. Bethmann, 2nd April,—Hamburg 2nd Feb., General.—Carlowitz & Co.
TETARTOS, German str., 1,578, Dealer, 39th March,—Saigon 25th March, Rice.—Siemssen & Co.
WESTMINSTER BRIDGE, British str., 2,208, A. W. Wenlock, 13th March,—London 23rd Nov., Coal.—Order.

SAILING SHIPS.

A. E. ROPES, Amr. ship, 2,302, D. H. Rivers, 16th March,—Philadelphia 16th Oct., Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.
KING GEORGE, British ship, 2,057, J. White, 17th Feb.,—Philadelphia (N.S.W.) 6th Sept., Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.
MANUEL LLAGUNO, American ship, 1,646, D. C. Nickels, 11th Feb.,—Chefoo 4th February, Ballast.—Order.
S. P. HITCHCOCK, Amr. ship, 2,036, E. V. Gates, 22nd March,—New York, Oil and Wax.—Standard Oil Co.

MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN.

Aspern, cruiser, 2437 tons, 20 guns, 7300 h.p., Capt. Friedrich Grinzenberger, Singapore
Kaiserin Elisabeth, cruiser, 4,000 tons, 29 guns, 5000 h.p., Captain Mirtl, Japan

FRENCH.

Acheron, armoured gunboat, 1796 tons, 10 guns 1700 h.p., Lieut. Ferret, Saigon
Argus, gunboat, 123 tons, — guns, 500 h.p., Lieut. Jeannel, Canton
Aspic, gunboat, 475 tons, 3 guns, 450 h.p., Lieut. Grellier, Saigon
Avalanche, gunboat, 140 tons, 5 guns, 150 h.p., Haiphong
Balonnette, gunboat, Lieut. Lefèvre, Saigon
Caronade, gunboat, Lieut. Hue, Saigon
Casse-tete, gunboat, 140 tons, 5 guns, 150 h.p., Saigon
Chateaurenault, cruiser (Flagship of Rear-Admiral de Fauque de Jonquières, 2nd in command), 8018 tons, 18 guns, 17,000 h.p., Captain V. Poid'oüe, Baie d'Along
Comète, gunboat, 525 tons, 4 guns, 438 h.p., Comdr. Louel, Haiphong
D'Assas, cruiser, 4000 tons, 31 guns, 9500 h.p., Saigon
Decidée, gunboat, 645 tons, 10 guns, 1,000 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. L'Eost, Shanghai
Descartes, cruiser, 3985 tons, 14 guns, 5500 h.p., Commander Amet, at present at Saigon
Estoc, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p. Lieut. Mère, Haiphong
Francisque, destroyer, 303 tons, 7 guns, 6300 h.p., Lieut. Cotoni, at present at Saigon
Fronde, destroyer, 350 tons, 7 guns, 303 h.p., Lieut. Jehenne, Baie d'Along
Gueydon, cruiser, 9376 tons, 36 guns, 20,200 h.p., Captain Goudot, Baie d'Along
Henri Riviere, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p., Lieut. Portier, Haiphong
Jacquin, gunboat, Lieut. Corlouer, Haiphong
Javeline, destroyer, 307 tons, 7 guns, 300 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. Beaussant, Baie d'Along
Kersaint, gunboat, 1250 tons, 6 guns, 2200 h.p., Comdr. Le Golleur, Shanghai
Lynx, submarine, Lieut. Armbruster, Saigon
Montcalm, cruiser (Flagship of Vice-Admiral Bayle, Commander in Chief), 9700 tons, 12 guns, 19,600 h.p., Capt. Dartige du Fournet, Baie d'Along
Mousquet, destroyer, Lieut. Prat, Baie d'Along
Olry, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p., Lieut. Audemard, Yangtse
Pascal, cruiser, 4015 tons, 27 guns, 8500 h.p., Comdr. Chevalier, Saigon
Poiho, gunboat, Lieut. Lavissière, Tongku
Pistolet, destroyer, Lieut. de Reinach-Werth, Baie d'Along
Protée, submarine, Lieut. Glorieux, Saigon
Redoutable, battleship, (in reserve) 9437 tons, 8 guns, 6071 h.p., Commodore C. P. M. Poidloüe, Saigon
Sabre, destroyer, Lieut. Lebari, Saigon
Styx, cruiser, 1796 tons, 10 guns, 1700 h.p., Comdr. T. de Balincourt, Saigon
Sully, cruiser, 10,014 tons, 38 guns, 20,000 h.p., Captain Guiberteau, (aground)
Surprise, gunboat, 629 tons, 2 guns, 900 h.p., Lieut. Roque, Hankow
Takiang, gunboat, Yangtsze
Takou, destroyer, Lieut. Gaillard, Saigon
Vauban, battleship, (reserve) 6150 tons, 23 guns, 4560 h.p., Lieut.———, Saigon
Vigilante, gunboat, 123 tons, 7 guns, 500 h.p. Lieut. Jemca, Canton

GERMAN.

Bussard, cruiser, 1857 tons, 15 guns, 2900 h.p., Comdr. Huss, ———
Fatherland, gunboat, — tons, — guns, — h.p., Captain von Buelow, Wuhu
Furst Bismarck, (flagship), 11,000 tons, 36 guns, 14,000 h.p., Captain Prowe, Singapore
Geier, cruiser, 1776 tons, 15 guns, 2960 h.p., Comdr. von Studnitz, Hongkong
Hansa, cruiser, 6230 tons, 34 guns, 10,000 h.p., Captain Weber, Shanghai
Hertha, cruiser, 6500 tons, 37 guns, 10,000 h.p., Capt. Baron Schimmelmann, Hongkong
Iltis, gunboat, 1000 tons, 10 guns, 1300 hp., Comdr. Baron von M. Hallessem, Canton
Jaguar, gunboat, 900 tons, 10 guns, 1300 h.p. Commander Wilbrandt, Nankiang
Luchs, gunboat, 850 tons, 10 guns, 1344 h.p. Commander Kroencke, Hongkong
Mowe, gunboat, 1009 tons, 8 guns, 875 h.p., Commander von Grumbkow, Manila
Seeadler, cruiser, 1640 tons, 15 guns, 2800 h.p., Commander Persius, Taingtau
Thetis, cruiser, 2660 tons, 24 guns, 8000 h.p., Captain Voit, Shanghai
Tiger, gunboat, 900 tons, 10 guns, 1300 h.p., Commander Deimling, Amoy
Titania, cruiser, Captain Schaake, Hongkong.
Taingtau, gunboat, 170 tons, 5 guns, 1300 h.p., Commander Giebber, Canton
Vorwarts, gunboat, — tons, 3 guns, 500 h.p., Lieut. Scharf, Shanghai.

ITALIAN.

Elba, cruiser, 2300 tons, 10 guns, 7471 h.p., Captain Borea Ricci, Haiphong
Marco Polo, cruiser, 3600 tons, — guns, — h.p., Captain Presbitero, Shanghai

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Showing the dates of departure of the Mails to Europe and America, and the dates of their expected arrival at their destinations, as well as the dates of departure of the Mails from Europe and America and the dates on which they are due to reach Hongkong. A Special Table is devoted to the Parcels Post to and from England.

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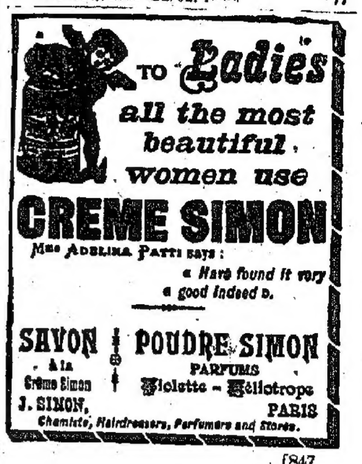

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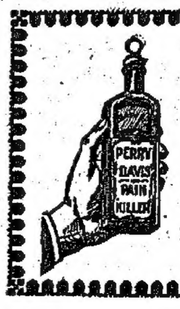

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Coromandel*, with the English Mail of the 10th March, left Singapore on Saturday, the 1st April, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, 5 p.m. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 7th February. This steamer brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all sea route on the 2nd of March, and for despatch overland on the 8th March.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE.
Canton	*Kinshan*	Wednesday, 5th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	*Wingchai*	Wednesday, 5th, 7.30 A.M.
Bangkok	*Gaea*	Wednesday, 5th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Wednesday, 5th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	*Gregory Apcar*	Wednesday, 5th, 2.00 P.M.
Chefoo, Newchwang and Tientsin	*Chihli*	Wednesday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai	*Loksang*	Wednesday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Tientsin	*Dr. Hans J. Kiaer*	Wednesday, 5th, 3.00 P.M.
Hoihow and Haiphong	*Mathilde*	Wednesday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Manila	*Taichun*	Wednesday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong	*Takhing*	Wednesday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanhue	*Hoifu*	Wednesday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	*Powan*	Wednesday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	*Haukow*	Thursday, 6th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	*Wingchai*	Thursday, 6th, 7.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Haitan*	Thursday, 6th, 9.00 A.M.
Haiphong	*Hongkong*	Thursday, 6th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Anping	*Decima*	Thursday, 6th, 9.00 A.M.
Saigon	*Telemachus*	Thursday, 6th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Thursday, 6th, 1.15 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk, Shiuhing and Takhing	*Sunui*	Thursday, 6th, 3.00 P.M.
Friedrich, Wilhemshafen, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	*Willehad*	Thursday, 6th, 4.00 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong	*Hongkong*	Thursday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtao	*Taichun*	Thursday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanhue	*Hoifu*	Thursday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	*Fatshan*	Thursday, 6th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	*Honam*	Friday, 7th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	*Wingcha*	Friday, 7th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Friday, 7th, 1.15 P.M.
Manila	*Loongsang*	Friday, 7th, 3.00 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kumchuk and Kaukong	*Takhing*	Friday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Namtao	*Taichun*	Friday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanhue	*Hoifu*	Friday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	*Powan*	Friday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	*Haukow*	Saturday, 8th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	*Wingchai*	Saturday, 8th, 7.30 A.M.
Amoy and Manila	*Rubi*	Saturday, 8th, 9.00 A.M.
Amoy, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	*Australian*	Saturday, 8th, 10.00 A.M.
EUROPE, &c., India via Tuticorin (Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)	*Nubia*	Saturday, 8th. Printed Matter and Samples ...10.00 A.M. Registration ...10.00 A.M. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters ... 11.00 A.M.
Macao	*Heungshan*	Saturday, 8th, 1.15 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Concert, Westminster Glee & Concert Party, City Hall, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Mr. G. P. Lammert, 2.30 p.m.

Sale, Household Furniture, Sales Rooms, Mr. V. I. Remedios, 2.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

4th April

ON LONDON.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/10 3/32
Bank Bills, on demand	1/10⅛
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/10 3/32
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/10 3/32
Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/10⅛
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/10⅛
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	231½
Credits, at 4 months' sight	235
ON GERMANY.—	
On demand	188½
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	44¾
Credits, 60 days' sight	45¼
ON BOMBAY.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	137½
Bank, on demand	137½
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	137½
Bank, on demand	137½
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, at sight	72
Private, 30 days' sight	72½
ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand	90½
ON MANILA.—On demand—Pesos.—	90
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand	7 p.c. pm.
ON BATAVIA.—On demand	110½
ON HAIPHONG.—On demand	1½ p.c. pm.
ON SAIGON.—On demand	1 p.c. pm.
ON BANGKOK.—On demand	61½
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	$10.75
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	$56.20
BAR SILVER, per oz.	25½

OPIUM.

4th April.

Quotations are —	Allowance net. to 1 catty.		
Malwa New	$1120	to —	per picul
Malwa Old	$1160	to —	"
Malwa Older	$1250	to —	"
Malwa V. Old	$1330	to —	"
Persian fine quality	$900	to —	"
Persian extra fine	$930	to —	"
Patna New	$1122½	to —	per chest.
Patna Old	$ —	to —	"
Benares New	$1062½	to —	"
Benares Old	$ —	to —	"

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. str. *Coromandel* left Singapore for this port on the 1st April at 5 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at 5 p.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Siberia* left Kobe for this port *via* Nagasaki and Manila on Friday, the 31st March at 2 a.m., and is due here on the 7th April.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Heinrich* left Kobe *via* Nagasaki and Shanghai on Monday, a.m., the 3rd April, and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 11th April.

The I.G.M. steamer *Preussen* left Colombo on the 1st April, p.m., and may be expected here on Wednesday, the 12th April.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. str. *Empress of India* arrived at Yokohama at 12.30 p.m. on Monday, the 3rd April, and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 4 p.m. yesterday.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Ben Line str. *Benalder*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 29th March for this port.

The C.P.R. str. *Tartar* arrived at Shanghai at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 1st April, and left again at 6 a.m on Sunday for Hongkong, and is due here to-day at 5 a.m.

The N.G.I. str. *Capri* left Singapore for this port on the 31st Mar., a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.

The I.G.M. Australian str. *Willehad* left Moji on Sunday, the 2nd April at 9 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, a.m.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Laertes* left Singapore on the 3rd inst. at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 8th inst.

The J.-C.-J. Lijn str. *Tjilatjap* left Macassar for this port on the 1st April, and may be expected here on the 8th April.

The N.D.L. Australian str. *Prinz Wildemar* left Sydney on Saturday, the 18th March at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on Monday, the 10th April.

The Indo-China str. *Namsang* left Calcutta for this port *via* the Straits on the 1st April, and may be expected here on the 17th inst.

The P. & A. str. *Numantia* left Portland on the 16th inst., and is due here on the 16th April.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Tydeus*, from Pacific ports is due to leave Moji on 11th inst. for Shanghai and Hongkong, and is due here on the 20th inst.

The A.A. steamer *Claverburn* left New York on the 23rd Feb., and is due here on the 25th April.

The str. *Daghestan* left New York on the 29th March, and is due here on the 29th May.

The Boston S.S. Co.'s str. *Tremont* arrived at Yokohama on the 22nd March.

The steamer *Hindustan* left New York on the 13th Feb.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

March 14th—*Glenlochy, Java, Eltrickdale, Ellerbeck, Goarden, Ghazee, Hatasu, Kalibia, Hebe, Langdale, Venus.* 17th—*Sithonia, Telemachus, Ixion, Taimo.* 21st—*Poona, Preussen, Senneca, Yangtsze, Princesse Marie, Longbank, Caffila, Elsita, Irrol, Jeanne.* 24th—*Claverburn, Dumbea.* 28th—*Ajax, Diomed, Glenlogan, Bantu, Prometheus, Rus Issa, Senegambia.* 31st—*Arcadia, Calchas, Caledonien, Formosa, Idomeneus, Yunnan.*

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

March 28th—*Glaucus.* 31st—*Gaelic, China, Ambria, Sachsen, Croydon.*

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Haitan*, from Foochow, &c., Mr. and Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Lauson and Mrs. Hyde.

Per *Rubi*, from Manila, Miss Buffington, Mr. Z. H. Sivinley, J. F. Hope, Rev. M. J. C. Connor, Mr. Sinclair, Capt. Schauenberg, Miss Childs, Rev. P. L. Sanchez, Rev. J. Espino, Mrs. Smith, Miss Miller, Messrs. C. van Jordan, H. E. Powell, H. Prolin, Pintenchu, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Modesto Baramea, Mr. and Mrs. Adams, and Miss H. Lynn.

DEPARTED.

Per *Armand Behic*, for Shanghai, Mrs. P. A. Pereira and 2 children, Messrs. M. A. Pereira and H. W. Andrews, Viscomte de Brocaya, Mrs. Baumann, Messrs. I. C. Bergendahl, O. F. Schick, J. C. Pinna, Louis Strauss, T. N. Rennie, S. R. Toombs, J. Bush, Boutoiller, Patrick Moran, and James Pringle; for Kobe, Capt. and Mrs. H. L. Laubach, Lieut. C. R. Lewis, and Mr. J. H. Gomes; for Yokohama, Hon. G. Stewart, Messrs. C. Diener, Arthur J. Cowdrey, and G. Potts.

Per *Touraine*, for Saigon, Dr. and Mrs. P. A. Lindsay, Messrs. Mercier and Graville; for Singapore, Miss Theresa Cox, Miss Ganalcser, and Mr. Alex. Johnston; for Batavia, Messrs. F. Ridel and I. A. Kest; for Marseilles, Mr. A. M. Barretto, Capt. and Mrs. Frantz, Mgr. Escoffier, Mr. L. Thorkill, Père Bailey, Mrs. and Miss Marty, Madame Taylor, and Mr. A. Winguest.

Per *Coptic*, for Shanghai, Messrs. R. B. Watson, H. G. Stocker, W. Newbold, McGown, Mrs. J. F. Hines and child, and Mrs. Provence and child; for Nagasaki, Mr. P. Lorillard, Capt. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. D. K. Mitchell, and Mrs. S. A. Mitchell; for Kobe, Messrs. S. Haywood and R. L. Davis; for Yokohama, Mrs. Longmuir, Mr. W. Beechey, Miss Boutain, Mr. R. McKinnon, Mrs. Whitton and child, Mr. J. Tajada, Mr. and Mrs. Matteson; for San Francisco, &c., Rev. E. B. Mostyn, Messrs. M. Brunig, L. T. Blanding, J. McMullan, W. F. Soule, W. H. Llewellyn, Emil Bauer, Mr. and Mrs. S. Myer, Miss E. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Totum, Mr. L. Jeowski, Lieut. P. Schmelzer, Messrs. August Belmont, Jr., F. Barker, U. A. Murdock, C. M. Garland, F. E. Thompson, Alec. Bisner, Chas. Squire, Count G. Grapello, Mr. C. Tollab, Miss A. Hoffstadt, Miss M. Ludwig, Mr. and Mrs. E. Loessner, Messrs. H. Nanpei, E. Nanpei, H. Kruse, Mr. and Mrs. S. McNeir, Miss S. E. McNeir, Mr. B. Tercovich, Lieut. S. E. Moses, Miss Wilkinson, Capt. C. C. Murphy, Mr. F. L. Crone, Miss H. Burrington, Messrs. C. S. Miller, Paul Bagley, Dr. B. Brodie, Messrs. G. L. Waldron, L. A. Gearon, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Belden, Mr. K. Bux, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. Putnam, Mr. H. B. Destelan, Rev. F. R. Felt, Miss J. M. Childs, and Mrs. L. Banbauer.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 4th April.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	$200	$100.
Banks—		
Hongkong & S'hai	$125	$775, buyers London, £80.
National B. of China A. Shares	£5	$36, buyers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	12s. 6d.	$5½.
China-Borneo Co.	$12	$14½.
China Light & P. Co.	$10	$9.
China Provident	$10	$8¾, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	Tls. 50	Tls. 32, buyers
Hongkong	$10	$16, buyers
International	Tls. 75	Tls. 28.
Laou Kung Mow	Tls. 100	Tls. 30.
Soyches	Tls. 500	Tls. 150, sellers
Dairy Farm	$6	$13, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farnham, B. & Co.	Tls. 100	Tls. 153, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	$50	$107, sales
H. & W. Dock	$50	$205, sellers
New Amoy Dock	$6¾	$27, sellers
S'hai & H. Wharf	Tls. 100	Tls. 165, ex div.
Fenwick & Co., Geo.	$25	$36, sellers
O. Island Cement.	$10	$27.
	$5	$17.
Hongkong & C. Gas	£10	$150, buyers
Hongkong Electric	$10	$16½, buyers
Do. New	$5	$10, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	$100	$210, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	$50	$140, ex div.
Hongkong Ice Co.	$25	$242, sellers
Hongkong Rope Co.	$50	$155.
H'kong S. Waterboat	$10	$18½, sales
Insurances—		
Canton	$50	$285.
China Fire	$20	$86, sellers
China Traders	$25	$58, sellers
Hongkong Fire	$50	$310, sellers
North China	£5	$70, sellers
Union	$100	$700, sellers
Yangtsze	$50	$100.
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land Inv.	$10	$1.8, buyers
Humphrey's Estate	$10	$12, buyers
Do. New	$10	
Kowloon Land & B.	$30	$39, buyers
Shanghai Land	Tls. 50	Tls. 114, sellers
West Point Building	$50	$55, sellers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	Fcs. 250	$490.
Raubs	18/10	$4, sales & sellers
Philippine Co.	$10	$9½, sellers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	$100	$225, buyers
Luzon Sugar	$10	$27, sellers
Steamship Companies		
China and Manila	$25	$21, ex div., sel.
Douglas Steamship.	$50	$34, buyers
H., Canton & M.	$15	$26½, sellers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	£10	$121, buyers
Shell Transport Co.	£1	21s., sales
Do. Preference	£10	£8 10s.
Star Ferry	$10	$37½.
Do. New	$5	$29,
Shanghai & H. Dyeing	$50	$50.
South China M. Post.	$25	$23, sales
Steam Laundry Co.	$5	$7, buyers
Do. New	$3	$4½, buyers
Stores & Dispensaries		
Campbell, M. & Co.	$10	$30, ex div.
Powell & Co., Wm.	$10	$12½, sellers
Watkins	$10	$3, sellers
Watson & Co., A. S.	$10	$12½, buyers
		$12, buyers
United Asbestos	$4	$9½.
Do. Founders	$10	$180.

VERNON & SMITH, Brokers.

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 5th to the 11th April.

To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.		High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.		Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
			h. m.	ft. in.		h. m.	ft. in.
Wed.	5	m	9 40	5 7	m	3 26	1 9
			10 1 a	6 0		3 11 a	2 0
Thurs.	6	m	9 54	5 9	m	3 54	1 1
			10 34 a	5 8		4 17 a	1 9
Fri.	7	m	10 29	5 2	m	4 4	1 3
			10 15 a	6 6		2 45 a	2 4
Sat.	8	m	10 38	6 2	m	4 43	2 6
			11 37 a	5 0		5 29 a	1 8
Sun.	9	m	11 3	6 3	m	5 4	3 0
						6 13 a	1 9
Mon.	10	m	0 15	4 6	m	7 16	3 3
		m	11 33	6 4		7 4 a	2 0
Tues.	11	m	1 16	4 2	m	5 47	3 4
			0 15 a	6 3		8 14 a	2 1

S.S. "ARMAND BEHIC."
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Bagdad* and *Donibe*, from Havre ex s.s. *Bagdad*, in connection with above steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON, TO-DAY, the 3rd inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 10th April, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 10th April, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 10th April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMBRAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [2

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"AGAMEMNON,"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ld., where in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 29th March.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M., on the 3rd April.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd April, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 6th April, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. [9-10

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 12 o'clock NOON, the 5th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1905. [18

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SEGOVIA,"

Captain Schönfeldt, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY, the 30th inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd April, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th April, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1905. [762

FROM ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"RAS ROWA,"

Captain Bennett, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY, the 1st inst.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th instant, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [838

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

THE NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA are prepared, during suspension of their Trans-Pacific Service and until further notice to book cargo and issue Bills of Lading to SEATTLE, WASH., VICTORIA, B.C., and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, also to OVERLAND POINTS in the UNITED STATES and CANADA in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY from SEATTLE as hitherto, by the steamers of the NORTHERN PACIFIC S.S. CO., BOSTON STEAMSHIP and TOWBOAT CO.'S, OCEAN S.S. CO and CHINA MUTUAL S.N. CO.

For Further Particulars, apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1904.

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